



CHICHESTER RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Medical Officer

of Health

1971

RURAL DISTRICT OF CHICHESTER

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for the Year 1971

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Map of Chichester Rural District

showing Parish Boundaries and Neighbouring Authorities



General Statistics

Area (in Acres) ...	...	...	...	...	...	102,765
Number of Parishes ...	...	...	...	...	...	43
Home Population:						
1931 Census	...	...	...	...	...	29,023
1951 Census	...	...	...	...	...	43,659
1961 Census	...	...	...	...	...	49,392
1970—Registrar-General's estimated	...	...	...	...	...	61,450
1971—Registrar-General's estimated	...	...	...	...	...	63,550
1971 Census	...	...	...	...	...	62,760
Number of Hereditaments	...	...	...	...	...	28,663
Rateable Value (31st March, 1972)	...	...	...	...	...	£3,344,880
Product of a Penny Rate (1971-72)	...	...	...	...	...	£32,263

Chairman : Lady Brundrett
Vice-Chairman : Mrs. M.E.L. Nicholson
Chairman of the Council : Lt. Col. H.G.P. Williams

Mr. A.C. Bonner	Mr. H.J. Gauntlett
Dr. N.F.H. Butcher	Mr. C.R. Harfield
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	Mr. S.K. Ruck (Oxon)

Two other Committees - the Public Services Committee and the Housing Committee - are responsible for the Public Health Services indicated by their titles.

STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Medical Officer of Health	:	V.P. Geoghegan, M.D., Ch.B., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.
Public Health Inspectors :		
Chief & Petroleum Officer	:	E.J. Woodward (a) (b) (f) (Retired 3.8.71.)
Deputy Chief and Petroleum Officer	:	D. Stevenson (c) (Appointed Chief Inspector 4.8.71.)
District	:	S.W. Harvey (a) (b) (e) (Appointed Deputy Chief Inspector 4.8.71.)
		G. Hall (a) (b)
		B.W. Randolph (d)
Meat Inspector (part-time)	:	E.J. Woodward (Appointed 1.9.71.)
Chief Clerk	:	J. Westbrook
Clerical Staff	:	Mrs. S. Monk (Resigned 11.12.71.)
		Miss G. Diggance
		Miss K. Jackson (Commenced 13.12.71.)
Pupil Public Health Inspector	:	Sgt. F.P. McLeod (d) (Qualified December 1971 and returned to H.M. Forces)
Rodent Officer	:	R.T. Smith
Rodent Operators	:	W.C. Ryder
		W.E. Haines (Resigned 12.3.71.)
		D.J. Wells
		D.C. Highfield (Commenced 15.3.71.)

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- (a) Certificate of Sanitary or Public Health Inspectors' Examination Joint Board
 - (b) The Royal Sanitary Institute Certificate of Meat and Other Foods
 - (c) The Inspectors' Certificate and the Meat and Other Foods Certificate of the
Royal Sanitary Association of Scotland
 - (d) Public Health Inspectors' Diploma
 - (e) Smoke Inspectors' Diploma - Royal Society of Health
 - (f) Diploma National Federation of Meat Traders - Member Institute of Meat

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August, 1972

TO: The Chairman and Members of the
CHICHESTER RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you the Annual Report on the health, social and sanitary conditions of the Chichester Rural District during the Year 1971.

I would like to express my appreciation to the Chairman of the Council, the Chairman of the Public Health Committee and Members for their support, to all Departments of the Council for information which they have supplied for inclusion herein, and to the Staff of the Public Health Department for their work during the Year.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

V.P. GEOGHEGAN

Medical Officer of Health

INTRODUCTION

Writing of the Year 1971 in the middle of 1972, it is difficult to escape from thoughts of Reorganisation. This Council, founded in 1933, has only twenty months of existence left, and from the first of April 1974, it will be replaced by a larger district council combining Midhurst, Petworth, Chichester City and 30 Parishes of Chichester Rural District. The remaining 13 Parishes in the South-Eastern part of the district will form another new district with Bognor Regis, Arundel, Littlehampton and part of Worthing Rural District.

So far it is by no means clear how Public Health affairs are to be organised in the new Districts. There is to be a concurrent reorganisation of the National Health Service, the main objective of which is to bring the three, at present, separately organised parts of Medical Care, that is Hospitals, General Practice and Public Health, together within one organisation.

There will be no Medical Officer of Health in the future, but there will be a Community Physician responsible for some of the previous Medical Officer's duties. He will not be employed by the local authority but some arrangement will probably be made so that his advice is available to the council concerned.

The exact division of duties and responsibilities between the new District Councils and the new County Councils is still being decided in the Local Government Bill but as far as Public Health is concerned no dramatic transfer of responsibility seems likely and a Public Health Department under the Chief Public Health Inspector will clearly be needed.

It is important to remember that modern Local Government owes its very existence to the "Sanitary Idea" and "The Inspector of Nuisances" originally employed by the Poor Law Union had the District Council formed round him. Such Councils were in fact known as local Sanitary Authorities and employed Surveyors to carry out necessary sanitary works.

The sweeping reorganisation at all levels is being carried through to a tight schedule. Once the boundaries of the new districts have been confirmed, the next step will be the election of the new Councillors in June 1973. This will leave just nine months during which staff will be appointed, decisions made as to siting of offices, departments organised, and the necessary legal and financial arrangements made for the transfer of functions from the old constituent authorities to the new district council.

Introduction (Contd.)

Evidently there is a busy year ahead for all concerned, and it is to be hoped that the new organisation will be able to give a better service to the public. This is, after all, the main object of the exercise.

During 1971, the year under review, there were no remarkable incidents. Infectious disease has over the years been driven out of its place as the chief preoccupation of the Medical Officer of Health. There remain, however, a few conditions which have still to be effectively controlled. Food poisoning occurs far too often in spite of the fact that both its causation and prevention are well understood. It is not oversimplifying the case to say that every incident of food poisoning is caused by a mistake on somebody's part. Occasionally, the manufacturer, wholesaler, or shopkeeper, is at fault. More often the caterer is guilty of errors of technique in preparation, cooking and serving of food, and similar errors are not unknown in the domestic kitchen.

Meat products (now, very often, poultry) are incriminated as the vehicles of infection in the great majority of outbreaks usually because the people concerned have not followed the simple rules for hygienic handling and cooking of meat.

Butchers' meat is seldom found to cause food poisoning because it is usually sterilised at the first cooking. "Left-overs" however, must be handled with care because the "heating-up" process seldom provides the necessary time/temperature combination for re-sterilisation. Indeed the warming up of once-used meat often provides ideal conditions for incubation and proliferation of food poisoning organisms. Meat, once cooked, should be refrigerated as soon as practicable and never left overnight in the warm atmosphere of the kitchen. The second cooking should be adequate otherwise the risk of trouble is always present.

Poultry is in danger of undercooking in the first instance, particularly where large birds such as turkeys are concerned. This danger is increased by stuffing large carcasses before cooking thus effectively insulating parts of the bird from the oven's heat.

SECTION ISTATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

The Chichester Rural District, one of the largest in the Country, covers the South-Western quarter of the County of West Sussex.

Formed under the West Sussex Review Order, 1933, when Westbourne and Westhampnett Rural Districts were combined, it lies on the sea coast with the River Arun at its Eastern boundary and the County boundary between West Sussex and Hampshire to the West. The Northern boundary lies on the South Downs.

The City of Chichester is almost in the centre of the District, and being the County Town, it houses the headquarters of the West Sussex County Council, the Chichester City Council and the Chichester Rural District Council. Bognor Regis Urban District lies towards the Eastern boundary of the coast line.

Farming, the distributive trades, and local government administration employ the bulk of the population inland, while the coastline - seventeen miles long - includes the popular resorts of Middleton-on-Sea; Pagham; Selsey; Bracklesham Bay and the Witterings, and attracts a large number of Summer visitors.

VITAL STATISTICSLive Births

CHICHESTER RURAL DISTRICT								Birth Rate per 1,000 population		
Total Number (after adjustment for transfers)						Birth Rate per 1,000 population		West Sussex Districts		England and Wales
Year	Total	Sex		Illegitimate		population		Rural	Urban	
		M	F	Number	%	Crude	Corr.			
1970	832	429	403	62	7	13.5	17.8	17.6	14.5	16.0
1971	802	426	376	56	7.	12.6	16.6	16.9	14.5	16.0

Stillbirths

CHICHESTER RURAL DISTRICT				Rate per 1000 total	
Total number (after adjustment for transfers)				(live & still Births)	
Year	Total	Sex		Chichester R.D.	England and Wales
		M	F		
1970	11	8	3	13.	13.
1971	9	1	8	11.	12.

Vital Statistics (Contd.)Total (live and still) Births

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Live Births	426	376	802
Still Births	1	8	9
Total Births	<u>427</u>	<u>384</u>	<u>811</u>

Infant Mortality - Deaths of Infants under 1 Year

INFANT DEATHS					RATES PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS			
CHICHESTER		RURAL		DISTRICT	Chichester R.D.	West Sussex		England and Wales
Year	Total	Sex		Illegitimate		R.D's	U.D's	
		M	F					
1970	19	13	6	1	23.	21.	19.	18.
1971	11	5	6	3	14.	14.	16.	18.

Year	Infant Mortality Rates - Chichester Rural District	
	Legitimate Infants per 1000 legitimate live births	Illegitimate Infants per 1000 illegitimate live births
1970	23.	16
1971	11.	54.

	Neo-Natal Mortality (Deaths under 4 weeks)		Early Neo- natal Mortality (Deaths under 1 week)		Perinatal Mort. (Stillbirths & Deaths under 1 week combined)	
	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970
Total Deaths	9	14	8	12	17	23
Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births	11.	17.	10.	14.	-	-
Mortality Rate per 1,000 total live and still births					21.	27.

Deaths

The table at the end of this Section shows the age, sex distribution and causes of death during 1971.

Details of numbers of deaths and death rates, together with comparative figures for 1970, are as follows :

Deaths (Contd.)

CHICHESTER RURAL DISTRICT						WEST SUSSEX DISTRICTS		ENGLAND AND WALES
Total Deaths (after adjustment for transfers)				Death Rates per 1000 population		Death Rate per 1000 population		Death Rate per 1000 population
Year	Total	Sex		Crude	Corr.	Rural	Urban	
		M	F					
1970	800	436	364	13.0	9.4	9.3	10.3	11.5
1971	810	423	387	12.7	9.1	8.3	9.9	11.6

The chief causes of death were :

	1971	1970
(i) Diseases of heart and circulatory system	310(38%)	300(37%)
(ii) Neoplasms (growths) includ. Leukaemia	172(21%)	176(22%)
(iii) Cerebrovascular disease	133(16%)	126(16%)
(iv) Respiratory Diseases(exclud. Tuberculosis)	79(10%)	86(11%)
TOTALS	694(86%)	688(86%)

Of the total deaths, 625 or 77% occurred in persons aged 65 years or over, and of these, 375 or 46% of the total deaths occurred in persons aged 75 years and over.

The natural decrease in population, i.e. the number of deaths minus the number of births, is 8, while the Registrar-General's estimated mid-year home population shows an increase of 1,310 over the 1970 figure.

DEATH RATES PER 1,000 POPULATION

	1971	1970
Pulmonary Tuberculosis (3)	0.04	0.01
Respiratory Diseases (excluding Pulmonary Tuberculosis)	1.24	1.4
Neoplasms (growths)	2.7	2.8
DEATHS FROM ENTERITIS AND OTHER DIARRHOEAL DISEASES (Children under 2 years)	-	-
Death Rate per 1,000 live births	-	-

Causes of Death at Different Periods of Life for the Year 1971

Causes of Death	Sex	All Ages	Weeks			Y e a r s											
			0-	4-	1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-				
ALL CAUSES	M	423	5	-	1	1	4	3	5	19	67	163	155				
	F	387	4	2	1	-	3	2	1	18	49	87	220				
Enteritis/other Diarrhoeal Dis.	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-				
Tuberculosis-Respiratory System	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-				
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-				
Late Effects of Respiratory T.B.	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-				
Other Infective & Parasitic Dis.	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1				
Malignant Neoplasm-Buccal Cavity	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-				
Ditto Oesophagus	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3				
Ditto Stomach	M	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	8	2				
	F	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3				
Ditto Intestine	M	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	2				
	F	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	6				
Ditto Larynx	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1				
Ditto Lung,	M	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	11	17	9				
Bronchus	F	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	2				
Ditto Breast	F	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	7	5				
Ditto Uterus	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	1	-				
Ditto Prostate	M	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	1				
Leukaemia ..	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1				
Other Malignant Neoplasms	M	17	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	2	7	5				
	F	20	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	6	6	6				
Benign & Unspecified Neoplasms	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-				
Diabetes Mellitus ..	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2				
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2				
Avitaminoses, etc. ..	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-				
Other Endocrine etc. Diseases	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1				
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-				
Anaemias ..	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1				
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2				
Mental Disorders ..	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-				
Meningitis ..	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1				
Multiple Sclerosis ..	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-				
Other Diseases of Nervous System	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-				
	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2				
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	M	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	-				
	F	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1				
Hypertensive Disease ..	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1				
	F	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4				
Ischaemic Heart Disease ..	M	120	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	8	19	48	44				
	F	71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	9	19	41				
Other Forms of Heart Disease	M	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	5	15				
	F	36	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	4	29				
Cerebrovascular Disease ..	M	53	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	5	19	27				
	F	80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	2	13	61				

Causes of Death - 1971 (Contd.)

Causes of Death	Sex	All Ages	Weeks		Y e a r s										
			0	4	1	5	15	25	35	45	55	65	75		
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	M	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	11		
	F	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	18		
Pneumonia ..	M	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	6	10		
	F	24	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	7	14		
Bronchitis and Emphysema ..	M	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	12	8		
	F	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3		
Asthma ..	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-		
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2		
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2		
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2		
Peptic Ulcer ..	M	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	3		
	F	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-		
Appendicitis ..	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-		
	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1		
Intestinal Obstruction & Hernia	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-		
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-		
Cirrhosis of Liver ..	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3		
Other Diseases of Digestive System	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2		
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3		
Nephritis and Nephrosis ..	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-		
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1		
Hyperplasia of Prostate ..	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1		
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1		
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1		
	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2		
Dis. of Musculo-Skeletal System	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1		
	M	3	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Congenital Anomalies ..	F	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-		
	M	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour	M	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	F	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	M	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	F	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Symptoms & Ill Defined Conditions	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2		
	M	13	-	-	-	-	2	2	2	1	2	2	2		
Motor Vehicle Accidents ..	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-		
	M	5	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	1	1		
All Other Accidents ..	F	9	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	2	1	-	3		
	M	5	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	1	-		
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1		
	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-		
All Other External Causes	F	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1		
	M	423	5	-	1	1	4	3	5	19	67	163	155		
TOTAL ALL CAUSES	F	387	4	2	1	-	3	2	1	18	49	87	220		

Table Showing Vital Statistics For The Years 1962 - 1971

ENG.& WALES Birth Rate	YEAR	CHICHESTER					RURAL DISTRICT			
		Est. Popula- tion	Total			Birth Rate			Natural Populat. Increase	
			Live Births		Total	Crude	Comp. Factor	Corr- ected		
			M	F						
18.0	1962	51,520	414	351	765	14.85	1.03	15.29	171	
18.2	1963	53,650	407	386	793	14.78	1.15	16.99	231	
18.5	1964	54,890	440	391	831	15.14	1.15	17.41	239	
18.1	1965	56,660	417	446	863	15.23	1.24	18.88	239	
17.7	1966	57,900	398	379	777	13.42	1.24	16.77	161	
17.2	1967	59,240	444	422	866	14.62	1.24	18.10	216	
16.9	1968	59,570	440	397	837	14.05	1.24	17.42	98	
16.3	1969	60,000	415	397	812	13.5	1.32	17.8	16	
16.0	1970	61,450	429	403	832	13.5	1.32	17.8	32	
16.0	1971	63,550	426	376	802	12.6	1.32	16.6	- 8	

ENG.& WALES Death Rate	YEAR	CHICHESTER RURAL DISTRICT									
		Total Deaths			Death Rate			Infant Deaths			Infant Death Rate
		M	F	Total	Crude	Comp. Factor	Corr- ected	M	F	Total	
11.9	1962	324	270	594	11.53	1.09	12.56	11	9	20	26.14
12.2	1963	293	269	562	10.47	0.91	9.52	9	2	11	13.87
11.3	1964	292	300	592	10.78	0.91	9.81	10	7	17	20.46
11.5	1965	339	285	624	11.01	0.78	8.58	5	3	8	9.27
11.7	1966	336	280	616	10.63	0.78	8.29	8	4	12	15.44
11.2	1967	343	307	650	10.97	0.79	8.66	6	7	13	15.01
11.9	1968	395	344	739	12.40	0.79	9.79	5	6	11	13.14
11.9	1969	413	383	796	13.3	0.71	9.4	4	8	12	15.
11.7	1970	436	364	800	13.0	0.72	9.4	13	6	19	23.
11.6	1971	423	387	810	12.7	0.72	9.1	5	6	11	14.

SECTION II

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

Hospitals providing accommodation and treatment for residents of the district are as follows :

Region 8 - South-West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board:

Hospital	Type	Telephone Number	Beds
<u>(a) Chichester and Graylingwell Group :</u>			
ROYAL WEST SUSSEX HOSPITAL :			
Broyle Road, Chichester	General	Chichester 82685	199
St. Richard's, Spitalfield Lane, Chichester	General/ Maternity	Chichester 88122	488
Isolation, Spitalfield Lane, Chichester	Infectious	Chichester 82126	12
GRAYLINGWELL HOSPITAL, Summersdale, Chichester	Psychiatric	Chichester 85171	860
BOGNOR WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, North Bersted Street, Bognor Regis	General	Bognor Regis 5418	32
* BOGNOR REGIS CHEST HOSPITAL, Hawthorn Road, Bognor Regis	Chest	Bognor Regis 23151	49
MIDHURST COTTAGE HOSPITAL, Rotherfield House, Easebourne	General	Midhurst 3105	27
* Following closure of Aldingbourne Chest Hospital on 31st August, 1971, the Chest Hospital Annexe at Bognor Regis was re-named Bognor Regis Chest Hospital as from 1st September, 1971.			
<u>(b) Worthing Southlands and District Group : (part)</u>			
SOUTHLANDS HOSPITAL, Upper Shoreham Road, Shoreham-by-Sea	General	Shoreham 2381	406
ZACHARY MERTON MATERNITY HOSPITAL, Glenville Road, Rustington	Maternity	Rustington 4155	62
<u>Region 7 - South-East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board:</u>			
<u>(a) Brighton and Lewes Group : (part)</u>			
BRIGHTON GENERAL HOSPITAL, Elm Grove, Brighton	Partly Acute	Brighton 66444	614
ROYAL SUSSEX COUNTY HOSPITAL, Eastern Road, Brighton	Acute and Maternity	Brighton 66611	436

Laboratory Service

The Public Health Laboratory at St. Mary's General Hospital, Milton Road, Portsmouth, under the Director, Dr. D.J.H. Payne, maintains its efficient service. The following examinations were carried out during 1971 :

<u>Nature of Specimen</u>	<u>Number</u>
Faeces ..	93
Water Supplies ..	10
Water Cress Bed Water	4
Lobster Tank Water	1
Corned Beef ..	1
Calves faeces ..	1
Plastic container .	1

A sample of Corned Beef was also submitted to the Public Analyst at Lewes for examination.

Ambulances

The Local Health Authority (West Sussex County Council) provides an ambulance service (including the Ambulance Car Service) and ambulances operate from Bognor Regis, Chichester and Littlehampton, under radio control.

Home Nursing and Midwifery

General District Nurses, Midwives, Health Visitors and School Nurses, are employed by the West Sussex County Council to serve in the Rural District.

Treatment Centres and Clinics

Ante-Natal Clinic	- held at Bognor Regis
Audiology Clinic)	
Child Guidance Clinic)	- held at Chichester
Eye Clinics	- held at Bognor Regis and Chichester (the latter now integrated into Royal West Sussex Hospital).
Child Health Clinics (Weighing)	- held at Chichester, East Wittering, Funtington, Hunston, Sidlesham, Tangmere, Walberton and Yapton
Child Health Clinics	- held at Aldingbourne, Aldwick, Bognor Regis, Bosham, Felpham, Selsey, Southbourne, Thorney Island and Westbourne

Treatment Centres and Clinics (Contd.)

- Dental Clinics - held at Chichester, Bognor Regis and in a Mobile Dental Unit at some Schools.
- Orthopaedic Clinic - held at Royal West Sussex Hospital, Broyle Road, Chichester.
- School Children (Minor Ailments) - held at Bognor Regis
- Speech Therapy Clinics - held at Bognor Regis, Chichester, Littlehampton and in Schools.
- Chest Clinic - held at Bognor Regis Chest Hospital
- Venereal Diseases Clinics - held at Royal West Sussex Hospital St. Richard's, Chichester; St. Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth; and Worthing Hospital.

Nursing Homes

There is one Nursing Home for children in the District registered by the West Sussex County Council under Section 187 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

National Assistance Act, 1948

- (a) Section 47. No formal action was necessary
- (b) Section 50. Three burials were undertaken during 1971.

The Council approved a request from the Contractor for a revision of burial fees as from the 1st April, 1971, and a fee of £33 plus cemetery and church fees now applies to burials undertaken within a nine mile radius of Chichester.

Mass Radiography Service

The West Sussex Mobile Unit of the Surrey Chest Radiography Service based at Manor Farm, Church Road, Worcester Park, visits the following sites weekly :

Bognor Regis	-	Hothampton Car Park	-	Mondays	4.30 - 5.45 p.m.
		Queensway	-	Tuesdays	3.30 - 4.15 p.m.
Chichester	-	Cattle Market	-	Mondays	2.00 - 3.30 p.m.
Littlehampton	-	Car Park, Duke St.	-	Wednesdays	11.30a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

The Unit does not operate on Bank Holidays or Christmas Eve.

SECTION III

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES

Water Supply

The Portsmouth Water Company remains the main supplier of water to the Chichester Rural District, but the North West Sussex Water Board and the Worthing Corporation supply a small number of houses in parts of the parishes of Upwaltham and Tortington respectively.

The supplies are constant and generally adequate to meet the demands of the distribution areas. All water supplied is chlorinated before distribution.

The latest analysis of drinking water supplied in the District showed a fluoride content of less than 0.1 parts per million.

The appendix which follows shows the number of dwellings and means of water supply for each Parish in the Rural District. Piped water is provided to over 99% of all houses from one or other of the water undertakings, and of the remaining houses, 0.67% have a piped supply from private estates.

The Portsmouth Water Company assumed responsibility for the water supply to the Parish of Madehurst on the 4th January, 1971, following completion of the scheme to provide a new distribution system.

Negotiations with the Company also continued with a view to effecting an improvement to the water supply in the Chilgrove hamlet of the Parish of West Dean, and towards the end of the year the Council had intimated that they were about to enter into a guarantee agreement with the Company to provide a public water supply for the first time to the area in question.

It is anticipated that the works on this scheme will be commenced during 1972.

Portsmouth Water Company

This Company are virtually the sole suppliers of water throughout the District providing a supply to 40 of the 42 parishes concerned. Supplies are obtained from bores or wells at :

Fontwell Avenue Waterworks, Eastergate
Westergate Woods, Aldingbourne
Fishbourne Waterworks
Woodmancote Waterworks
Funtington Waterworks

Chichester Rural District - Water Supplies - 1971

Parish	No. of dwellings	Means of Water Supply				Supply		No direct supply	
		Mains Inside	Mains Outside	Private Estate Mains	Wells		R.W. Tanks		
					A	B	A	B	
Aldingbourne	904	902	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Appledram	72	72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barnham	303	303	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bersted	1245	1245	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Birdham	569	568	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bosham	1473	1473	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Boxgrove	353	347	-	2	1	3	-	-	-
Chidham	329	306	3	12	6	-	1	-	-
Climping	97	97	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Compton	190	181	-	7	1	-	1	-	-
Donnington	658	658	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Earnley	73	73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eartham	37	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
East Dean	103	92	-	6	-	5	-	-	-
Eastergate	768	768	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
East Wittering	1248	1247	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Ford	168	168	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Funtington	539	490	5	29	7	7	-	-	#1
Hunston	427	426	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Lavant	529	517	1	*	-	2	-	1	-
Madehurst	51	44	-	6	-	1	-	-	-
Marden	39	30	-	*	-	-	-	-	-
Middleton-on-Sea	1526	1526	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Mundham	406	401	1	-	1	3	-	-	-
Oving	309	307	-	1	1	3	-	-	-
Pagham	2410	2407	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Selsey	3044	3043	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sidlesham	433	424	1	-	6	2	-	-	-
Singleton	207	199	-	2	5	-	-	1	-
Slindon	207	207	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Southbourne	2048	2046	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Stoughton	286	280	3	-	1	-	-	2	-
Tangmere	1118	116	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Tortington	203	203	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Upwaltham	114	12	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Walberton	696	692	3	-	1	-	-	-	-
Westbourne	1759	741	-	16	2	3	-	-	-
West Dean	1170	119	-	46	-	1	-	2	-
Westhampnett	1179	152	-	*	26	1	-	-	-
West Itchenor	1111	111	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Thorney	235	235	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Wittering	11091	1091	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yapton	864	864	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	25491	25220	19	170	38	33	2	8	1
Percentage of total dwellings		98.93	0.08	0.67	0.28		0.04		-

NOTE:

- A Mains water available but premises not connected
 B No mains water available
 * Private Estate supply supplemented by public mains supply when necessary.
 # House unoccupied

Estimated population deriving water from :

Population

(a) Public Mains	..	..	62,927 (99.02%)
(b) Private Estate Mains	..	..	422 (0.66%)
(c) Wells and Rainwater Tanks	..	..	201 (0.32%)

Estimated population dependent on neighbouring supplies or other sources

.. -
63,550
 TOTALS

Portsmouth Water Company (Contd.)

All pumping stations are under remote surveillance from the Company's control room at Havant.

Water storage is provided in the following service reservoirs :

<u>Situation</u>	<u>Approx. Storage Capacity</u>
Littleheath, Eartham	2 $\frac{1}{4}$ million gallons
Nore Hill, Slindon	2 million gallons
Slindon	125,000 gallons
Chalk Pit Lane, East Lavant	2,000,000 gallons
ditto	4,000,000 gallons
Highdown, West Dean	52,000 gallons
Nursery, West Dean	114,000 gallons
Canada, West Dean	20,000 gallons
East Dean	17,000 gallons
Wittering Water Tower	80,000 gallons
Woodmancote Waterworks	100,000 gallons
Walderton Reservoir	200,000 gallons
Appledown Reservoir	56,000 gallons
Selsey Reservoir	250,000 gallons
Selsey Water Tower	50,000 gallons

The following main extensions and new domestic services were provided during 1971 :

Parish	Location	Length (Yards)	Services
Aldingbourne	- Meadow Close	62	-
Barnham	- Chichester R.D.C. Estate	38	
	Halliford Drive	78	
	Barnham Lane	317	27
	Dial Estate	174	
Birdham	- Lock Lane	62	
	Church Lane	112	17
Bosham	- Taylors Lane	241	
	Miles Farm Estate	201	54
	Chichester R.D.C. Estate	21	
Climping	- Climping Road	54	
East Wittering	- Third Avenue	77	
	Elms Ride	202	
	Shore Road	50	
	Seafields Road	80	30
	Beech Avenue	40	
	Off Stocks Lane	45	
Funtington	- Common Road	1057	13
Hunston	- Meadow Close	200	16

(Contd.)

Portsmouth Water Company (Contd.)Extensions and New Domestic Services

Parish	Location	Length (Yards)	Services
Lavant	- Gaston Way	169	19
Madehurst	- Dale Park	15	22
Middleton-on-Sea	- Summerley Park	450	72
	Off Middleton Road	90	
Pagham	- Mill Park Road	139	86
	Causeway	48	
	Willowhale Estate	125	
	Church Farm	14	
Selsey	- Kingsway Park Estate	695	159
	Glen Park Estate	770	
	East Beach Estate	454	
	Manor Road	97	
Slindon	- The Common	36	246
Southbourne	- Clovelly Road	246	
	Gordon Road	353	
Tangmere	- Humphreys Home	253	12
	Church Lane	343	
Westbourne	- Deep Springs	34	28
West Wittering	- Elms Ride	201	16
Yapton	- Chichester RDC Estate	299	13
	Downview Estate	581	
	Bilsham Lane	451	

North West Sussex Water Board

This Authority supplies water to the Parish of Upwaltham by means of a private reservoir situated within the Petworth Rural District.

Twelve houses are supplied from this source.

Worthing Corporation

A number of properties in the Tortington Parish only of the Chichester Rural District are supplied from this source which up to 1965 was the Arundel Borough Council supply together with the private supply of the Duke of Norfolk.

Private Estate Supplies

As has been mentioned earlier in this Section, the private estate supply at Madehurst has now been replaced by the Portsmouth Water Company's mains, and work is expected to commence during 1972 on a similar replacement in the hamlet of Chilgrove, West Dean.

Sampling

Ten samples of water were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for bacteriological examination. The sample from a private estate supply proved satisfactory as were seven of the samples from the Portsmouth Water Company. The remaining two samples were reported upon as unsatisfactory and the source of contamination was traced to the kitchen taps in each case.

The sampling programme of the Portsmouth Water Company covers the whole area of supply and bacteriological samples are taken each week from the treated water from each source. The raw waters where coliforms are frequently found are examined weekly, and the purer sources monthly. Chemical samples are examined monthly from each source of supply.

Drainage and Sewerage

The Council's Engineer and Surveyor has kindly supplied the details recorded under this heading and under Public Cleansing :

Sewerage Schemes and Sewer Extensions

Tangmere Sewerage Scheme	-	Contract completed 30th April, 1971
Woodmancote Sewerage Scheme	-	Contract commenced 19th January, 1971 and completed 1st September, 1971.
Barnham to Lidsey S.D.Works (Duplicate Outfall Sewer)	-	Contract commenced 4th August, 1971.
Walberton Sewer Diversion (Diversion from Eastergate Lane to Barnham Lane)	-	Contract commenced 14th September, 1971 and completed 19th November, 1971.
Birdham Foul Sewerage Scheme-		Contract commenced 23rd October, 1971
Westhampnett Sewerage Scheme-		Contract commenced 19th November, 1971

Adoption of Sewers on Private Estates

<u>Private Estate</u>	<u>Type of Sewer</u>	<u>Date</u>
Manor Estate, Pagham(Barton Manor)	- Foul and surface water	8. 1.71.
Lagoon Estate, Pagham	- Foul	3. 2.71.
Roman Villa Site, Fishbourne	- Foul and surface water	3. 2.71.
Ford Industrial Estate	- Sewers and Pumping Station	3. 3.71.
Stroud Green Estate, North Bersted	- Foul and surface water *	5. 5.71.
Fontwell Road, Selsey	- Foul and surface water	6. 8.71.
Sun Vista Estate, Selsey	- Foul and surface water	14.10.71.
Kingsway Park Estate, Selsey	- Foul and surface water *	6.10.71.
Kings Beach Estate, Pagham	- Foul and surface water *	5.11.71.
Third Avenue, Bracklesham Bay	- Foul	1.12.71.
Stroud Green Estate, North Bersted	- Foul and surface water *	1.12.71.
Ford Industrial Estate	- Foul sewers(additional lengths)	1.12.71.

* Part of Estates

± Completion of Estate within R.D.

Sewer Connections

Parish	Properties connected to Sewer				New Houses with Cesspools
	New Houses		Existing Houses	TOTAL	
	Council	Private			
Aldingbourne	20	23	2	45	-
Barnham	6	-	-	6	-
Bersted	-	77	-	77	-
Birdham	-	-	-	-	4
Bosham	28	28	-	56	-
Boxgrove	10	-	-	10	-
Chidham	-	-	-	-	1
Earnley	-	-	-	-	1
Eastergate	-	25	1	26	-
East Wittering	-	58	-	58	-
Funtington	8	3	4	15	-
Hunston	-	7	-	7	-
Lavant	-	17	1	18	-
Middleton-on-Sea	-	37	1	38	-
North Mundham	-	1	-	1	-
Oving	-	-	-	-	2
Pagham	8	95	1	104	-
Selsey	-	115	2	117	-
Sidlesham	-	-	-	-	4
Singleton	-	-	-	-	2
Southbourne	4	17	2	23	-
Stoughton	-	-	-	-	1
Tangmere	-	7	46	53	-
Tortington	-	4	-	4	-
Walberton	-	6	1	7	-
Westbourne	8	3	27	38	-
Westhampnett	-	-	-	-	3
West Itchenor	-	-	-	-	1
West Wittering	-	11	-	11	-
Yapton	-	4	-	4	-
TOTALS	92	538	88	718	19

PUBLIC CLEANSINGRefuse Collection

The weekly collection service has continued, and the quantity of refuse collected annually during the past three years is set out herewith :

Year	Vehicles	Loads	Tonnage	Mileage
1971	16	4,055	25,710	131,070
1970	15	4,165	25,174	130,475
1969	14	4,208	24,032	123,623

Refuse Collection (contd.)

Five new refuse collection vehicles were purchased and put into service during 1971 (3 Norba, 1 Paxit Major and 1 Musketeer Karrier).

All refuse continues to be disposed of at the three controlled tips at Slindon, Hambrook and Sidlesham. Refuse compounds are in use at all three tips and are being regularly used.

Special collections of refuse on payment were made during the Summer months from eleven commercial establishments.

Salvage

Income decreased from £11,734 in 1970, to £9,135 during 1971, due to the restriction placed by the Mills on intake. Details of the various items disposed of are set out herewith :

<u>Material</u>	<u>Tons</u>	<u>Value</u>
Mixed Paper	222.68	£ 2,285.03
Newspaper	159.71	1,996.46
Fibreboard	350.03	4,200.58
Rags	20.73	652.81
TOTALS	<u>753.15</u>	<u>£ 9,134.88</u>

Refuse Bins

A local authority owned bin scheme has been in operation for many years, and 892 receptacles were issued to ratepayers during 1971. The total number of bins in use was 8,965.

Cesspool Emptying

The Council continues to provide a rateborne cesspool emptying service, which allows one free emptying at intervals of three months, to premises where connection to the main sewer is not possible. Where a main sewer is available to properties, emptyings are only undertaken upon payment of the requisite fee.

Details of emptyings carried out during 1971, together with comparative figures for the two previous years, are set out herewith :

Year	Number of Vehicles	Total Cesspools Emptied	Total Gallons	Total Mileage
1971	9	13,979	24,427,750	150,883
1970	11	15,320	24,934,250	217,351
1969	11	16,079	24,854,250	226,361

Cesspool contents are deposited into the various sewerage systems

Public Conveniences

No new conveniences have been erected during 1971, and those already provided are situated at Bosham; Bracklesham Bay; Pagham Beach; East Street and Marine Hotel Site, Selsey; Off Shore Road and at Pound Road, West Wittering.

Bed Bugs and Other Verminous Conditions

No complaints of bug infestation were recorded, but verminous conditions due to various other causes were dealt with during the year necessitating 122 visits.

Disinfestations were either carried out by the Department or apparatus loaned to householders to enable them to do so.

Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963

Twelve applications for renewal of licences were granted during the year but one boarding establishment had closed towards the end of 1971.

Twenty-three visits were made under the Act.

Caravans and Camping

Details of caravan sites licensed during 1971, together with numbers of sites licensed during the previous five years, are set out herewith :

Number of :	1971	1970	1969	1968	1967	1966
Holiday	161	157	176	175	177	180
Licensed Sites -						
Residential	34	37	34	36	31	28
Caravans allowed by Licence :						
Holiday Sites - (Holiday ..	7061	7086	7190	7300	7166	7103
(Residential	42	47	43	42	39	39
All Year Round Sites ..	393	386	388	387	377	375

Tented and Touring Sites

Three sites in the district are licensed for a total of 450 tents, and four sites have licences for a total of 170 touring caravans. One site for 20 tents had not renewed planning consent by the end of the year.

Contraventions:

Number observed	..	37
Informal Notices served	..	8
Number of complaints received		4
Number of complaints justified		3
Informal Notices served	..	1

Caravans and Camping (Contd.)

Legal Proceedings

Two site owners lodged a Complaint in the Magistrates' Court against the refusal of the Council to amend site licence conditions, and in each case the appeal was dismissed.

Clean Air Act, 1956 and 1968

Thirteen complaints of smoke nuisance were received of which eight were found to be justifiable and resulted in the service of informal notices in each case.

Six informal notices were also served in respect of contraventions observed.

Three applications under Section 6 of the 1968 Act were approved during the year and administration under this legislation entailed 122 visits.

Common Lodging Houses

There are no Common Lodging Houses registered in the district.

Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957

The West Sussex County Council delegated their powers and duties under this Order to the District Council in September, 1966.

Three licences to operate swill boiling equipment were revoked during 1971, as a result of dismantling, derelict premises and death of the licensee.

Eight pig keepers now have licences to operate swill boiling equipment.

Factories Act, 1961 - Part I

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors):

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
1 Factories in which Section 1,2,3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by local authorities	3	6	-	-
2 Factories not included in (1) above in which Section 7 is enforced by the local authority	216	31	4	-
3 Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced (excluding Outworkers)..	4	5	1	-
TOTALS	223	42	5	-

Factories Act (Contd.)

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found :

	Cases in which defects found				Prosecutions
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of Cleanliness(S.1.)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding(S.2.)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature(S.3.)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation(S.4.)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage(S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences(S.7.):					
(a) Insufficient	1	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable/Defective	3	-	-	-	-
(c) Not suitable for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other Offences	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	4	-	-	-	-

Four Informal Notices were served

Part VIII - Outwork - Sections 133 and 134

Seven notifications of Outworkers were received.

Hairdressers and Barbers

Byelaws made under Section 77 of the Public Health Act, 1961, were confirmed and came into operation on 1st June, 1970. Eight visits were made to such premises.

Mortuary Accommodation

There are no public mortuaries situated in the Rural District, but by agreement, use is made when necessary of mortuaries owned and maintained by either the Chichester City Corporation or the Bognor Regis Urban District Council. Admissions from the Rural District during 1971 numbered 65 and 39 respectively.

Noise Abatement Act, 1960

Ten complaints were investigated, six of which were found to be justified and resulted in the service of four informal notices. One contravention of the Act was also observed and dealt with informally.

Visits in connection with the Act numbered 105.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

A total of 140 visits of all kinds were made to registered premises in 1971, and the following table gives details of the number of premises registered and the number receiving a general inspection during the year :

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963 (Contd.)

Class of Premises	Premises registered during year	TOTAL REGISTERED PREMISES 31.12.71.	No.of persons employed	Premises generally inspected during the year
Offices	4	89	427	26
Retail Shops	1	229	779	52
Wholesale				
Departments etc.	-	6	53	6
Fuel Storage Depots	-	1	6	1
Catering Estab.etc.	6	89	540	35
TOTALS	11	414	1805	120
		Males	659	
		Females	1146	

Number of contraventions observed .. 78

Number of informal notices served .. 12

Pet Animals Act, 1951

One application for renewal of licence to keep pet animals was received and approved during 1971. In addition, one original application for licence was received and granted.

Petroleum (Regulation) Acts, 1928 and 1936

The following premises were licensed during 1971 to keep petroleum spirit :

(a) Garage premises for re-sale	..	70
(b) Commercial and agricultural consumers	* ..	104
(c) Local Authorities	..	2 = 176

* Includes 5 premises used for the storage in cans, drums and other receptacles.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

The rat destruction service gives free advice and destruction of rats and mice on private premises, but a charge is made at commercial buildings.

Complaints of infestations received during 1971 numbered 1,919, an increase of 150 over the figure for the previous year.

A summary of work carried out is set out herewith :

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949 (Contd.)

Number	Private Houses	Business Premises	Agricultural	Local Authority	TOTAL
Complaints investigated	1685	110	14	110	1919
Other premises surveyed	1867	271	101	176	2415
Visits for all purposes	7908	522	117	326	8873
Disinfestations completed	3121	110	-	113	3344

Treatment of Sewerage Systems

The recommended 10% testing of sewer manholes was carried out in April over the following Council sewerage systems :

System	Manholes Baited	Recorded Takes		Manholes Poison Baited		
		Complete	Partial	Number	Complete Takes	Partial Takes
Bersted	4	-	-	-	-	-
Bosham	34	1	1	13	1	1
Climping	4	-	-	-	-	-
East Wittering)						
Bracklesham Bay)	29	3	3	-	-	-
West Wittering)						
Middleton-on-Sea	40	2	8	30	4	9
Southbourne)						
Prinsted)	43	2	3	26	-	13
Westbourne)						
TOTALS	154	8	15	69	5	23

Area Liaison Disinfestation Control Committee

This Committee meets twice yearly at the Offices of the Chanctonbury Rural District Council. Mr. J.R. Mann is the Council's representative on this Committee.

Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

One factory in the district is registered under the Act.

Riding Establishments Act, 1964

This Act is administered by the West Sussex County Council. Eight establishments in the Rural District were licensed in 1971.

Rivers and Streams

Fifty inspections were made in connection with complaints received of pollution of ditches, or to rectify stoppages caused by neglect.

No action was necessary in connection with the prevention of pollution of any of the rivers and streams in the district.

Schools

No schools in the district were closed during 1971 on account of infectious disease.

The first instalment of a new school was completed at Lavant C.E. Primary School, and new extensions were completed at the following premises :

Birdham C.E. Primary School
Yapton C.E. Primary School

Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964

Nine licences were renewed during the year, and one new application for registration was received and approved.

There are now nineteen registered Scrap Metal Dealers in the District.

Swimming Baths and Pools

There are no public swimming pools in the District, but most holiday centres have pools available for the use of residents of the centres.

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

(1)	(a)	Public Health Act, 1936 :		
		General Nuisances	..	142
		Keeping of Animals	..	50
		Re Accumulations	..	34
		Watercourses, Ditches, etc.	..	50
		Drainage	..	170
		Infectious Disease	..	100
		Insect Pests, etc.	..	122
		Caravan Sites	..	480
		Refuse Tips	..	18
		Tents, Vans and Sheds	..	28
	(b)	Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963	..	23
	(c)	Clean Air Act, 1956 and 1968	..	122

Summary of Visits and Inspections (Contd.)

(d)	Civic Amenities Act, 1967 ..	..	16
(e)	Diseases of Animals (Waste Foods) Order, 1957		12
(f)	Factories Act, 1961 ..	..	42
(g)	Hairdressers and Barbers - P.H.A. 1961 ..	..	8
(h)	Noise Abatement Act, 1960 ..	..	105
(i)	Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963		140
(j)	Pet Animals Act, 1951 ..	..	1
(k)	Petroleum (Regulations) Acts, 1928 and 1936		106
(l)	Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949 ..		8940
(m)	Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964 ..		15
(n)	Food and Drugs Act, 1955 :		
	Shops ..	..	217
	Ice Cream premises ..	..	65
	Restaurants and Cafes ..	..	132
	Milk Distributors, Dairies and Milk Shops		22
	Bakehouses ..	..	11
	Food Vehicles ..	..	57
	Poultry Processing ..	..	15
	School Kitchens ..	..	5
	Slaughterhouses ..	..	463
	Licensed Premises ..	..	37
	General Visits - condemnations, etc. ..		81
(o)	Agriculture (S.H. & W.) Act, 1956 ..	..	4
(p)	Housing Acts ..	..	436
(q)	Miscellaneous:		
	Water Supplies ..	..	30
	Sewage Disposal Works ..	..	10
	Other Visits ..	..	327
	Total Visits ..		<u>12,636</u>

(2) Notices :

Complaints received (Rodent 1,919)	..	2,053
Complaints justified and dealt with	..	2,008
Nuisances and/or contraventions observed (excludes Rodent Services)		345

Summary of Visits and Inspections (Contd.)

(3) Legal Proceedings	nil
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(4) Sampling:

(a) Water	10
(b) Faeces	93
(c) Water Cress Bed Water		..	4
(d) Lobster tank water .		..	1
(e) Corned Beef	..	..	1
(f) Calves faeces	..	..	1
(g) Plastic container ..		..	1

Section IV

HOUSING

The Council's list of housing applicants at the end of August 1971 totalled 1,151 (1,204 for the previous year). This reduction was due largely to a 50% increase in routine postal checks which were carried out on applicants of some two years standing.

Re-Housing Statistics

- (1) Number of families re-housed during 1971:
 - (a) Cases of ordinary need 169
 - (b) Slum clearance cases 8 = 177
- (2) Number of dwellings available:
 - (a) New dwellings occupied in 1971 .. 95
 - (b) Casual vacancies arising in 1971 .. 81 = 176
- (3) Number of transfers arranged during 1971 to make the best use of available accommodation 96

Housing of Aged Persons

An additional six units at Churchill House, Barnham, were occupied in January, 1971.

Unfit Houses

Four houses were represented under the Housing Acts as individual unfit houses and undertakings accepted in respect of each dwelling

Eight houses were made fit as a result of formal action under Section 16.

Improvement Grants

During the year approval was given to 28 standard grant applications valued at £4,303 and 84 discretionary grant applications valued at £58,746.

Rent Act, 1968

No applications for Certificates of Disrepair were received during 1971.

Housing Accommodation administered by the Council(31.8.71.)

Existing occupied Council dwellings	3168	
Miscellaneous properties	<u>1</u>	= 3169
1969 programme - dwellings not yet occupied	10	
1970 programme - ditto	122	
1971 programme - dwellings approved	150	= 282

Housing Statistics (Contd.)

(d) Proceedings under Section 42 of the Housing Act, 1957 :

(1) Number of Clearance Areas declared ..	..	nil
(2) Number of dwellings demolished in such areas ..	..	nil

4. Housing Act, 1957 - Part IV - Overcrowding

(a) (1) Number of dwellings known to be overcrowded at the end of 1971 .. ..	..	1
(2) Number of families dwelling therein ..	..	3
(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported in 1971		1
(c) Number of persons concerned .. ...	...	10
(d) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during 1971		nil
(e) Number of dwelling-houses which have again become overcrowded .. ..	..	nil

Section V

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD PREMISES

Milk and Dairies

Twenty-two visits were made to milk distributors and milk shops. No samples of milk were submitted for examination

Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959

Eleven applications to register as Distributors of Milk were received and approved during the year. There are now 104 Distributors of Milk registered in the district.

The Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963

There are no egg pasteurisation plants in the district.

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1970

These Regulations came into force on the 1st March, 1971, thus revoking the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations of 1960.

The number of food premises subject to these Regulations grouped in categories of trade carried on in them is as follows :

Bakehouses ..	..	8
Bread and Confectionary ..	..	18
Butchers ..	..	28
Catering Establishments ..	..	61
Greengrocers ..	..	24
Grocers ..	..	108
Fish (West and Fried) ..	..	12
Licensed Premises ..	..	109
Sweets, Ice Cream, etc. ..	..	50
Chemists ..	..	12
Poultry Processing ..	..	5
Supermarkets ..	..	19 = 454

484 Inspections were made of these food premises, while the total number of visits and inspections made to all food establishments under the Food and Drugs Act totalled 642. .

Contraventions of the Regulations observed at food premises numbered 161 and resulted in the service of 17 informal notices. Fourteen complaints of unsatisfactory conditions at shops were also received, of which 11 were found to be justified and were dealt with informally. No legal proceedings were instituted during the year but warning letters were forwarded in two instances.

Game Act, 1831.

Five licences to deal in Game were granted during the year.

Ice Cream

Eleven new applications for registration of premises for the storage and sale of ice cream were received and approved during the year. Eleven applications were also received and approved to alter the register following change of occupier.

The total number of premises registered for the storage and sale of ice cream is 224.

Slaughterhouses

The abattoir at Yapton has remained in use, and up to 31st August all carcasses and offal from animals slaughtered were inspected by the District Public Health Inspectors entailing regular week-end duty to ensure 100% inspection. From the 1st September, the Council appointed Mr. E.J.Woodward as Meat Inspector, working part-time, to carry out the Council's responsibilities for meat inspection.

Visits to the West Sussex Abattoir numbered 463 and details of carcasses examined are as follows :

Number killed and inspected during 1971 :	Cattle	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
	2460	1834	221	3883	4467
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci :</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned ..	7	19	22	31	37
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned ..	500	632	10	265	983
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci ..	20.6	35.5	14.5	7.6	22.8
<u>Tuberculosis only:</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned ..	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned ..	1	-	-	-	48
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis ..	0.04	-	-	-	1.07
<u>Cysticercosis:</u>					
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned ..	18	3	-	-	-
Carcasses generalised and totally condemned ..	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with cysticerci ..	0.73	0.16	-	-	-

Total Carcasses Inspected - 12,865 (12,366 in 1970)

The Meat Inspection (Amendment) Regulations, 1971

The effect of these amending Regulations, which came into force on the 16th August, 1971, was to raise the maximum rates which local authorities may charge for meat inspection under Regulation 12 of the 1963 Regulations.

The following revised scale of charges for the inspection of carcasses of animals slaughtered within the District for sale for human consumption was approved and brought into operation on the 1st November, 1971 :

	<u>Charges for week- days other than Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays</u>	<u>Charges for Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays</u>
For each horse or bovine animal other than a calf	12p	18p
For each calf or pig	4p	5p
For each lamb or goat	3p	4p

Meat Condemned at the West Sussex Abattoir:

	<u>Lbs.</u>	<u>Reason</u>
<u>Beasts</u> : Parts of Carcasses and Offals	75	Tuberculosis
Parts of Carcasses and Offals	569	Cysticercus Bovis
Whole Carcasses and Offals	13,764	Various other diseases
Parts of Carcasses and Offals	17,235	ditto
<u>Calves</u> : Whole Carcasses and Offals	1,265	ditto
Parts of Carcasses and Offals	342	ditto
<u>Sheep</u> : Whole Carcasses and Offals	997	ditto
Parts of Carcasses and Offals	346	ditto
<u>Pigs</u> : Whole Carcasses and Offals	4,618	ditto
Parts of Carcasses and Offals	2,507	ditto
Parts of Carcasses and Offals	486	Tuberculosis
TOTAL WEIGHT CONDEMNED	<u>42,204</u>	Lbs.

Meat and Other Food Condemned at Food Premises:

70 Lbs Scotch Flank	- Bone Taint	501 Packets Meat)
1357 Lbs Chickens	- Decomposition	707 Packets Fish)
200 Lbs Hens	- Dehydration	543 Packets Vegetables)
5 Lbs Herring Roes	- Decomposition	230 Packets Sundries)
12 Tins Pet Foods	- Blown	2194 Ices or Lollies)
94 Tins Vegetables	- Decomposition	3 Packets Yorkshire)
121 Tins Meat	- Decomposition	Puddings)
211 Tins Fruit	- Decomposition	650 Lbs. Meat)
12 Tins Evap. Milk	- Decomposition	73 Packets Groceries)
1 Tin Salmon	- Decomposition	18 Jars Chicken Fillets))
79 Tins Sundry items-	Decomposition	8 Tins Cooked Ham)
7 Gallons Fruit Squashes-	Contaminated		

Refrigerator
Failures

Section VI

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF DISEASES

The table on the penultimate page of this Section summarises the various notifications of infectious diseases which were received during 1971. The main notifications were Measles (38); Infective Jaundice (17); and Scarlet Fever (7).

Health Services and Public Health Act, 1968

The Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations, 1968

The Consolidating Regulations, which came into force on the 1st October, 1968, make provision for notification of the following diseases :

Acute encephalitis	Infective jaundice	Relapsing fever
Acute meningitis	Leprosy	Scarlet fever
Acute poliomyelitis	Leptospirosis	Smallpox
Amoebic dysentery	Malaria	Tetanus
Anthrax	Measles	Tuberculosis
Bacillary dysentery	Ophthalmia	Typhoid fever
Cholera	neonatorum	Typhus
Food Poisoning	Plague	Whooping Cough
Diphtheria	Paratyphoid fever	Yellow fever

The Public Health (Fees for Notifications of Infectious Disease) Order, 1968

As from the 1st October, 1968, this Order required the local authority to pay the medical practitioner a fee of five shillings for each certificate of notification, except a certificate sent by a medical practioner serving in the forces.

Medical Examinations

Nineteen medical examinations for superannuation purposes were carried out during 1971. A further 121 examinations for the West Sussex County Council of candidates for Teachers' Training Colleges were also undertaken.

Cancer

Deaths attributed to Cancer numbered 172 (98 males, 74 females) - 178 deaths in 1970.

The Cancer Death Rate for 1971 is 2.7 per 1,000 of the population (2.8 for the previous year). The corresponding rates for the Administrative County, and the Urban and Rural Districts of West Sussex are, 3.0, 3.1 and 2.7 respectively.

The following table gives details of the localisation of the disease classified, with additions, in accordance with the International Abbreviated List B :

Cancer (Contd.)

		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Buccal Cavity, etc.	..	1	-	1
Oesophagus ..	..	4	-	4
Stomach ..	..	14	5	19
Intestine ..	..	14	16	30
Larynx ..	..	1	-	1
Lung, Bronchus	..	40	6	46
Breast ..	..	-	21	21
Uterus ..	..	-	4	4
Prostate ..	..	6	-	6
Leukaemia ..	..	-	2	2
Other Malignant Neoplasms		18	20	38
TOTALS		<u>98</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>172</u>

Diphtheria

(a) Notifications. No cases of Diphtheria were notified during 1971, nor were any deaths registered as due to this cause. No confirmed cases have occurred in the District since 1946.

(b) Immunisation. Immunisation against diphtheria and other diseases is carried out either at the Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics, or by the General Practitioners. Set out below are details of vaccinations of persons under 16 years completed and recorded by the County Health Department during 1971 :

Antigen	Completed Primary Courses	Reinforcing Doses
Triple DTP	718	-
Diphtheria/Tet.	13	768
Polio (Sabin)	741	1159
Measles	804	-
Rubella	275	-
Tetanus	-	341

Dysentery

Three cases notified (15 in 1970)

Food Poisoning

One suspected case of Food Poisoning was notified, but the laboratory reported on specimen submitted proved negative.

Measles

Measles notifications numbered 38 during 1971 (118 in 1970).

Poliomyelitis

No cases were notified during the year - the last recorded cases in the District occurred in 1957.

Vaccination against poliomyelitis can be arranged through the County Health Department at Metropolitan House, Northgate, Chichester, and at Health Centres and Welfare Clinics.

Details of vaccinations carried out during 1971 are recorded under diphtheria immunisation.

Tuberculosis

One primary notification and two transfer cases moving into the district were added to the Register during 1971.

Three deaths from Tuberculosis occurred although two of these cases did not appear on the register. A further death occurred of a patient on the register but the cause of death was not due to Tuberculosis. The following table gives details of cases on the register and of new cases added during 1971 :

		Pulmonary Cases			Non-Pulmonary Cases			Total Cases (all forms)		
		M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
Number on Register at 1st January, 1971	..	89	70	159	4	13	17	93	83	176
Primary Notifications received in 1971	..	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Cases moving into area as transfers	..	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	2
TOTAL		90	72	162	4	13	17	94	85	179
Cases removed in 1971	..	1	2	3	-	-	-	1	2	3
Cases on Register at 31st December, 1971	..	89	70	159	4	13	17	93	83	176

Smallpox

In July 1971, the Secretary of State accepted the advice of the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation that smallpox vaccination need no longer be given to children as a routine, because the risk of serious complications from vaccination now outweighed the risk of the British public being exposed to smallpox. Smallpox vaccination was therefore immediately deleted from the County Council's current immunisation schedule, and as a result, no statistics for smallpox vaccination and re-vaccinations are included for 1971.

Table Showing Cases of Infectious Diseases Notified During the Year 1971

Disease	Total Cases Notified		Age Distribution of Notified Cases										Cases	
	M	F	Total	Age										55-65-
				0-	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-
Measles ..	19	19	38	1	4	6	5	3	14	1	3	-	-	1
Dysentery ..	2	1	3	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	3	4	7	1	1	1	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	1
Whooping Cough	1	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Jaundice	12	5	17	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	7	3	1	1
Tuberculosis-respiratory	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Malaria(Contracted Abroad)	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning(Suspected) *	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
	39	31	70	2	6	7	6	4	22	4	11	3	1	3

No notifications were received of the undermentioned diseases :

Acute encephalitis
Anthrax
Cholera
Diphtheria
Leprosy

Leptospirosis
Meningitis
Ophthalmia Neonatorum
Plague
Paratyphoid fever
Relapsing fever

Acute poliomyelitis
Smallpox
Typhus
Tetanus
Typhoid fever
Yellow fever

* Laboratory report negative

Notifications of Infectious Diseases - 1962 to 1971

Disease	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971
Dysentery ..	10	6	8	2	22	21	10	3	15	3
Encephalitis ..	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning ..	-	1	-	15	5	-	2	12	11	-
Measles ..	10	1060	213	421	426	567	104	123	118	38
Meningococcal Infections ..	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ..	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever ..	6	8	6	11	11	6	23	10	11	7
Tuberculosis (Respiratory ..	11	7	9	6	5	4	3	8	3	1
(Non-Respiratory ..	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-
Whooping Cough ..	18	5	23	20	2	12	17	4	4	2
Infective Jaundice ..	First notifiable in 1968							6	16	17

